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**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
October 3, 2007  
MINUTES**

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**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Executive Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments held its meeting at the downtown offices in Los Angeles. There was a quorum.

**Committee Members Present**

Supervisor Gary Ovitt	President
Supervisor Yvonne Burke	Immediate Past President
Councilmember Richard Dixon	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
Councilmember Harry Baldwin	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
Councilmember Debbie Cook	Chair, EEC
Councilmember Jon Edney (via teleconference)	Chair, CEHD
Mayor Ron Loveridge (via teleconference)	Chair, Administration
Councilmember Alan Wapner	Chair, TCC

**Staff Present**

Jim Gosnell, Deputy Executive Director  
Wayne Moore, Chief Financial Officer  
Colin Lennard, General Counsel  
Joe Burton, Chief Counsel  
Joann Africa, Deputy Legal Counsel  
Hasan Ikhata, Director, Planning & Policy  
Keith Killough, Director, Information Services  
Sylvia Patsaouras, Acting Director, Gov Affairs  
Debbie Dillon, Manager, Human Resources  
Lisa Taylor, Sr. Administrative Assistant  
Judy Owens, Sr. Administrative Assistant

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Ovitt.

**2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments.

### **3.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

#### **3.1 Approval Items**

##### **3.1.1 Minutes of August 30, 2007 Meeting**

Motion was made (Baldwin) to approve the minutes. Motion was SECONDED (Dixon) and UNANIMOUSLY approved.

##### **3.1.2 Air Quality Report**

- EEC Strategy Paper

Jonathan Nadler, SCAG Staff, reported that staff was working on a white paper that will outline a plan of action to meet the 2025 air quality requirements.

- ARB, SCAQMD, SCAG Agreement on South Coast AQMP was also presented.

##### **3.1.3 Merit Pay Program**

Debbie Dillon, SCAG staff, reported that the Administration Committee recommended approval of a 1% increase for the merit pay compensation. She stated that the Merit Pay program is the only increase for employees. Employees do not receive a cost-of-living adjustment.

Motion was made (Dixon) to approve the merit pay program. Motion was SECONDED (Cook) and UNANIMOUSLY approved.

##### **3.1.4 Staff Support to Policy Committee Chairs**

Sylvia Patsaouras, Acting Director, Government Affairs, presented three alternative scenarios to provide support to the Executive Committee and Chairs of Policy Committees

The Executive Committee wanted a full-time Assistant from within SCAG for this position. The Assistant would report to the Executive Committee and Executive Director.

Motion was made (Wapner) to approve securing a full-time assistant. Motion was SECONDED (Dixon) and UNANIMOUSLY approved.

##### **3.1.5 TCIF Project Review**

Hasan Ikhata, Director, Planning and Policy, stated that the evaluations of the budget submitted by the County Transportation Commissions has been completed. A meeting will be scheduled after it has been determined which list of projects are to be forwarded to Sacramento.

### 3.1.6 Proposed SCAG Legislative Committee

Sylvia Patsaouras presented a proposal to re-formulate the Legislative Committee. The Executive Committee will discuss the policy as well as membership of the proposed committee and present a set of recommendations to the Regional Council.

## 4.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ovitt reported that the Executive Search is currently underway. A brochure for recruitment has been completed. He reported that advertisements for the position were placed in several publications.

Supervisor Ovitt also stated that he would like for the Chairs of the policy committees to evaluate the composition of their committees. This analysis is being conducted to ensure maximum regional representation on all committees. Final reports should be submitted by the next Executive Committee meeting.

## 5.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was no report. Mr. Pisano introduced Joe Burton, as new Chief Counsel for SCAG.

## 6.0 CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

### 6.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation

(Government §54957) Title: Executive Director

### 6.2 Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation

(Government Code Section 54956.9(a)) City of La Mirada v. SCAG; City of Irvine v. SCAG; and City of Palmdale v. SCAG.

The General Counsel and Legal staff updated the Executive Committee regarding the status of the litigation related to RHNA. No final action was taken.

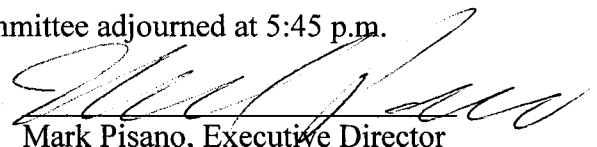
## 7.0 Performance Evaluation and Salary Compensation for the Executive Director

The Executive Committee reviewed the performance evaluation of the Executive Director. Motion was made (Baldwin) to award an increase of 6%, retroactive to July 1, 2007 to be awarded in one lump sum. Motion was SECONDED (Burke), OPPOSED (Dixon) and APPROVED.

Councilmember Dixon opposed the percentage of the salary increase not the rating of the Executive Director's performance.

## 8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Executive Committee adjourned at 5:45 p.m.



Mark Pisano, Executive Director